

The Hongkong Telegraph.

WEATHER FORECAST.
RAIN.

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TELEGRAMS.

THE REVOLUTION.

A SHANGHAI OUTRAGE.

(Our Own Correspondent.)
Shanghai, Jan. 15, 9.25 a.m.
On Saturday, about midnight, two revolutionaries entered the Marie Hospital, in the French Concession, by means of a window. Having terrorised the nurse, they entered the ward and assassinated a local revolutionary leader, named Doh, with whom they had a quarrel.
Both the men escaped.

MANCHU PATRIOTISM.

Durban, Jan. 14, 4.5 p.m.
Reuter's correspondent at Peking states that the decision to abdicate was the outcome of a secret meeting of Manchus of all classes, which considered that abdication was necessary to save the country from chaos.

H.E. Yuan Shih-kai remains in Peking to effect the best possible arrangement with the Republicans providing for the future of the Emperor and Empress Dowager. It is understood that the Powers support him.

THE FORMAL ANNOUNCEMENT.

The abdication is expected before to-morrow.

CIVIL WAR HORRORS.

Telegrams from the provinces give a shocking picture of murders, rapes and arson.

Hundreds of women are committing suicide to escape violation.
—Reuter.

ABOUT TO ABDICATE.

Via Bombay, Jan. 14, 7.55 a.m.
Reuter's correspondent at Peking says the Throne has practically decided to abdicate and retire to Jehol immediately. Arrangements have already been partly made.
—Reuter.

TELEGRAMS.

THE REVOLUTION.

RUSSIA'S DENIAL.

(Service to the "Telegraph.")
Via Bombay, Jan. 14, 7.55 a.m.
Reuter's correspondent at St. Petersburg says it is semi-officially denied that Russia intends to establish six new consulates in Mongolia beyond those now existing at Urga, Kobdo and Ulassutai, or to increase the guards, of whom there are now 150 at Urga and 25 each at Tobdo and Ulassutai.

THE EXPEDITIONARY FORCE.

Shanghai, Jan. 14.
President Sun Yat-sen and Wong Hing, Minister of War, have appointed Nam Tin-wai as Commander-in-chief of the military and naval forces stationed in Shanghai which are designed for the invasion of Peking.

THE ARMISTICE.

H.E. Yuan Shih-kai has telegraphed to Dr. Wu Ting-fang for a further extension of the armistice. Dr. Wu Ting-fang has telegraphed to President Sun Yat-sen for instructions.

TANG SHAO-YI.

The Manchu Government has again appointed H.E. Tang Shao-yi as peace plenipotentiary.
"Shui Po."

FOREIGN AFFAIRS.

Wong Chung-wai has assumed the post of Vice Minister for Foreign Affairs.

DIPLOMATIC COMMISSIONER.

Wan Chun-yiu has been appointed Commercial and Diplomatic Commissioner at Shanghai.
—"Sheung Po."

ARGENTINE STRIKE.

ENGLISHMEN ENGAGED.

(Service to the "Telegraph.")
Via Durban, Jan. 13, 6 p.m.
The Argentine railway strike still continues although the period of grace has expired. Troops are guarding the lines. Drivers and firemen are being engaged in England.
—(Reuter.)

TELEGRAMS.

LABOUR TROUBLES.

MINERS TO STRIKE.

(Service to the "Telegraph.")
Via Durban, Jan. 13, 10.15 a.m.
The miners' ballot which has been concluded shows more than a two-thirds majority in favour of a strike. There is some hope that the Conciliation Board at its regular meeting in London, on January 23, will effect a settlement. The transport workers, at their approaching conference, will discuss the question of striking to help the miners.

CARPENTERS' NOTICES.

The executive of the Amalgamated carpenters and joiners state that notices are to be tendered in thirty districts in the United Kingdom, and will expire on April 1. The men demand an increase in wages.
—Reuter.

DEMAND FOR COAL.

Via Bombay, Jan. 13, 4.50 p.m.
Hopes of a settlement have not disappeared as there are still six weeks in which to negotiate.

DEMAND FOR COAL.

Via Bombay, Jan. 14, 7.55 a.m.
Yesterday's advance in the price of coal has developed a frantic public demand, particularly in the Midlands and the North. In some places there is none available owing to London buying.
—Reuter.

ADMIRALTY STORING COAL.

Bombay, Jan. 15, 7.55 a.m.
The Admiralty are actively engaged in storing coal at the various dockyards. There is a tremendous rush to Goole port and the railways are unable to cope with the traffic.

POLITICAL SENSATION.

NEW PREMIER.

(Service to the "Telegraph.")
Via Bombay, Jan. 14, 7.55 a.m.
Reuter's correspondent at Paris states that the French Government is considering the possibility of appointing a new Premier.
—(Reuter.)

TELEGRAMS.

TROUBLED TURKEY.

GOVERNMENT DEFEATED.

(Service to the "Telegraph.")
Durban, Jan. 14, 8.20 a.m.
Reuter's Constantinople correspondent states that the Chamber by 120 votes to 105 adopted the Constitutional Bill.
This is equivalent to its rejection and the absence of a two-thirds majority constitutes a defeat for the Government and a victory for the Union and Progress party, which will now proceed to promulgate a dissolution.
—Reuter.

MARRIAGE OATH.

"OBEY" OR NOT?

(Service to the "Telegraph.")
Durban, Jan. 14, 8.20 a.m.
It was announced that the word "obey" would be omitted from the marriage service at the wedding of Miss Una Dugdale, niece of Viscount Peel and Mr. Victor Duval, both prominent financiers, at the Chapel Royal, Whitehall.
The Chaplain, however, announced that he had taken advice on the matter and had been informed that the omission would make the validity of the marriage doubtful.
The couple therefore acquiesced in having the word in the service.
—Reuter.

PANAMA TOLLS.

ENGLAND'S LEAD.

(Service to the "Telegraph.")
Via Durban, Jan. 13, 6 p.m.
Reuter's correspondent at Washington wires that the Right Hon. James Bryce has conferred with his colleagues as to prospective European action in the event of the United States refusing American ships of Panama Canal tolls. It is stated that the diplomats admit the indirect method of granting American ships a subsidy equaling the canal tolls may be within the terms of the treaty. Anyhow they are disposed to follow the lead of England as being a party to the Hay-Pauncefote Treaty.
—Reuter.

AMERICA AND JAPAN.

STARTLING STATEMENT.

(Service to the "Telegraph.")
Via Bombay, Jan. 14, 7.55 a.m.
Reuter's correspondent at Washington states that Major-General Carter, formerly of the Congressional Committee on Army Reorganization, has declared that reorganization was necessary if the United States wished to retain her insular possessions. There were 85,000 Japanese ex-soldiers in the Philippines and Hawaii ready for an anti-American rising in the event of a clash with Japan.
—(Reuter.)

TELEGRAMS.

RUSSIA AND PERSIA.

NEW TREASURER.

(Service to the "Telegraph.")
Via Durban, Jan. 13, 10.15 a.m.
Reuter's correspondent at Tashkent states that the Belgian, M. Mornard took summary possession of the Treasury Offices and conveyed to the American accountants a message from the Cabinet that if they further delayed the transfer of the offices they would not only be discharged but punished.
—(Reuter.)

BILLIARDS.

GRAY AND STEVENSON.

(Service to the "Telegraph.")
Durban, Jan. 14, 3.20 a.m.
Gray and Stevenson completed their second match of 18,000 up at Liverpool, last night. The final scores were: Gray 18,000; Stevenson 17,220.
—Reuter.

AVIATION.

A GREAT FLIGHT.

(Service to the "Telegraph.")
Durban, Jan. 14, 3.20 a.m.
Reuter's correspondent at Pau reports that Veldrine has flown 24.4 miles in an hour.
—Reuter.

ARMY AND NAVY.

DINNER IN LONDON.

(Service to the "Telegraph.")
Bombay, Jan. 14.
The Army Council has entertained the Board of Admiralty at a dinner in the Savoy.
—Reuter.

SUGAR CONVENTION.

WEST INDIAN INTERESTS.

(Service to the "Telegraph.")
Durban, Jan. 14, 4.5 p.m.
Telegrams from Port of Spain, the capital of Trinidad, state that the Chamber of Commerce and the Agricultural Society have adopted resolutions to the effect that they are gravely concerned at Great Britain's threatened withdrawal from the Sugar Convention.
They are convinced that such withdrawal would be disastrous to the sugar industry.
—Reuter.

OBITUARY.

MAJ. GEN. MAURICE.

(Service to the "Telegraph.")
Via Durban, Jan. 13, 10 a.m.
The death is announced of Major General Sir Frederick John Maurice, K.C.B.
—(Reuter.)

MALTA SATISFIED.

KING'S VISIT.

(Service to the "Telegraph.")
Via Bombay, Jan. 13, 7.5 p.m.
Reuter's Malta correspondent wires that great satisfaction is felt there owing to the announcement that the French naval division will come to Malta to greet the King and Queen on their homeward voyage. The division will stay from January 23 till January 29. The fleet will be entertained by the members of the British navy after the King's departure.
—(Reuter.)

TELEGRAMS.

GERMAN ELECTIONS.

THE SOCIALIST VOTE.

(Service to the "Telegraph.")
Durban, Jan. 14, 3.20 a.m.
Reuter's correspondent at Berlin states that the outcome of the elections is that the Right has lost 23 seats to the Left, of which the Socialists secured 11. The remaining Socialist gains were from the Liberals and Radicals.

The increase in the Socialist vote is estimated to be 32 per cent., equivalent to a million votes, compared with 1907.

It is anticipated that, with Radical help, the Socialists will win a quarter of the second ballots, returning to the Reichstag 95 strong.
—Reuter.

THE RESULTS.

Via Bombay, Jan. 13, 3.25 p.m.
Reuter's Berlin correspondent states that 265 results were known up till 2.30 this morning. 138 have been definitely elected and 127 are still in the running. The results of the elections is the sweeping successes of the Socialists, who have already regained a third of their losses sustained in 1907.

It is significant that the bulk of the Socialist gains were won from the other Left parties, and that the Socialists lost a seat to the National Liberals.

POSITION OF THE PARTIES.

Via Durban, Jan. 13, 10 a.m.
The Conservatives have lost four seats and gained one. The Imperial party lost seven and gained one; the Economic Union lost five and gained none; the Centre party lost four and gained none; the Poles lost one and gained one; the National Liberals lost eleven and gained one; the Radical People's party lost nine and gained none; the Socialists lost two and gained twenty-two; the Independent Liberals lost one and gained none; and the Independent Conservatives lost one and gained none.
—(Reuter.)

SOCIALIST'S BIG GAINS.

Via Bombay, Jan. 14, 7.55 a.m.
Reuter's correspondent in Berlin reports that the complete results of the polling show 208 candidates to have been definitely elected, whilst in 192 cases second ballots are necessary. The Socialists have made a net gain of 26, which has evoked a Conservative appeal to the electors to look to the future of the Empire instead of to Party considerations.

BRITISH CONGRATULATIONS.

Via Bombay, Jan. 13, 4.50 p.m.
Mr. Ramsay MacDonald has telegraphed the Berlin Socialists "British Labourers congratulate you heartily on your successes. Good news for all friends of international solidarity and peace."
—(Reuter.)

TELEGRAMS.

TROUBLE IN BRAZIL.

BAHIA SHELLED.

(Service to the "Telegraph.")
Via Bombay, Jan. 13, 6 p.m.
Reuter's correspondent at New York states that the Federalists shelled Bahia. The palace and other buildings were destroyed. Twenty people were killed and a hundred wounded.
—Reuter.

THAMES IRONWORKS.

AWAITING THE BALLOT.

(Service to the "Telegraph.")
Via Durban, Jan. 13, 10.15 a.m.
The Admiralty have agreed to await the ballot of the Thames Ironworks before placing the orders for the cruisers on January 23.
—Reuter.

TEST CRICKET.

ENGLAND'S BIG SCORE.

(Service to the "Telegraph.")
Via Durban, Jan. 13, 1.50 p.m.
The third test match was continued to-day in hot weather. There was a good attendance and the result was a narrow margin. England lost 187 and Rhodes 59.

HOBB'S SPLENDID.

Hobb's score, which was knocked up in 334 minutes, included eighteen "fours." He offered five chances, but otherwise gave a really splendid all-round display.
—Reuter.

CANTON NEWS.

(The "Telegraph" Correspondent.)
Canton, Jan. 14.
The acting Governor-General has expressed his intention of pulling down all the city walls, in order to make room for the construction of new roads. He has ordered the necessary surveys to be made and the work will commence in earnest in the near future.

Yesterday a meeting was held in the Chamber of Commerce to consider the advisability of advertising to native made cloth for apparel, now the queue has been discarded. The meeting was attended by representatives of the silk and cotton goods merchants and it was eventually decided to ask the President of the Republic to retain the use of the old style of garment.

The Canton Government is taking steps to effect general improvements in the working and management of the docks at Whampoa and towards that end Messrs. Wong Kwai-sun and Wong Chuk have been appointed as directors.

On account of the prevalence of piracy along the West River the supplies of firewood and rice for Canton are seriously interrupted. As a result, prices are ranging very high and in order to alleviate the distress, thus likely to be caused, the Yuet Han Railway Co. has arranged for a reduction of freight charges as far as these commodities are concerned.

The members of the Municipal Council in Sun-wu have petitioned the Governor-General asking him to fix a day to be kept as a holiday in remembrance of (Confucius). They have suggested February 1.

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the cry of the increasing cost of
living, or in other words the
decreasing value of gold. Stu-
dents of the times have long been
aware that much of the prevail-
ing industrial unrest is based
upon the same economic cause as
produced the French revolution,
or, to put it in another form,
that whereas wages have ad-
vanced 8 per cent. during the last
decade, the cost of living has
increased by 12 per cent., and
the apparently hopeless attempt
to bridge the gap between the two
margins is again driving men to
despair. Mr. M. d. R. Webb,
Chairman of the Kamohi Cham-
ber of Commerce, deals with the
subject in a very interesting article
contributed to the December
"Nineteenth Century and After."
He points out, to begin with, that
"one pound sterling has during
the last fifteen years lost more
than a quarter of its purchasing
power." This is a startling state-
ment, but Mr. Webb proves his
contention by the aid of several
tables of statistics drawn from
many sources. After studying
the situation carefully he holds
that there are good reasons for
believing that this shrinkage will
continue:

Daily Press.

A Doubtful Position.

He (Wu Ting-fang) rather taunts
Yuan with having to take exor-
sive precautions himself against
assassination by men whose cause
he is advocating, and finally says
he adheres to his recommenda-
tion of Shanghai as the meeting
place. Yuan Shih-kei, having
repudiated the arrangements
made by his plenipotentiary,
Liang Shao-yi, the Revolutionary
leaders are in a position of grave
doubt as to how matters now
stand, and we gather that the
position is that Wu Ting-fang is
now awaiting a definite reply from
Yuan himself to two questions,
viz.:—(1) Whether he will agree
on behalf of his Government
and the Throne, to abide by the
decision of the National Con-
vention, if it goes against him; and
(2) whether he agrees to Shang-
hai being the meeting place of
the National Convention. If un-
satisfactory answers are returned
on these two points, a resumption
of hostilities is inevitable, but
the fact that these replies are so
long in coming suggests that
Yuan, whatever his own opinions
may be on these points, must be
combating a good deal of opposi-
tion in Peking and that the
Revolutionary leaders are pre-
pared to make allowances for the
difficulties of his position.

South China Morning Post.

Education in China.

As to the precise nature of the
proposed (Wu-Han) University,
one of the "Times" announce-
ments says it will be established
on the basis of a teaching and
examining body working in co-
operation with residential hostels
and colleges. The University,
as such, will stand for the de-
velopment of intellect and the
hostels for development of char-
acter. And although the de-
mand in China at present is
chiefly for instruction in techni-
cal applied science, whilst that
will be given due prominence
the curriculum will have a much
wider scope. In the words of the
announcement, "the aim of the
University is neither to supplant
the Chinese national culture nor
yet to overlay it with mere tech-
nical scientific training; but to
prepare the way for a real fusion
of Chinese and Western thought,
whereby the new China may be
able to produce her own charac-
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MARRIAGE.

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HONGKONG, MONDAY, JANUARY 15, 1912.

THE LAW COURTS.

With fitting ceremony the Courts of Justice began to-day what will, it is hoped, prove to be a long career of usefulness. There are differences of opinion in regard to the architectural beauty and structural fitness of the Courts, but it may fairly be claimed that they are an improvement upon the old premises. The principles upon which British law are administered remain the same, but life in a growing Colony tends to become more complex, and with increased complexity is necessarily associated heavier and more sustained demand upon legal machinery. The proper administration of justice does not depend, of course, upon the numerical strength of Bench and Bar, nor upon the buildings they occupy, but greater and better facilities are bound to conduce to the benefit of all concerned.

The present is not an inappropriate time to consider our existing system of determining appeals. In what we have to say we are casting no personal reflection; it is with principles we deal, not persons. An appeal from the judgment of the Chief Justice or the Puisne Judge goes to the Full Court. The Chief Justice and the Puisne Judge constitute the Full Court. That is to say in an appeal from the judgment of the Chief Justice, for instance, the Chief Justice and the Puisne Judge have to determine whether the Chief Justice was right, and should they disagree the decision of the Chief Justice is final. Obviously this is an appeal from Caesar to Caesar. We do not suggest that the Chief Justice does not bring to an appeal from his own judgment an open mind, but it is clear that having, after matured consideration, given a certain judgment in the first instance, he is unlikely to be persuaded that he was wrong. In effect, appeals in this Colony are to the Chief Justice alone. An appeal from the decision of the Puisne Judge can be, and has been, upheld by the Full Court, but we think we are accurate in saying that there have been extremely few instances of a judgment of the Chief Justice being upset by the local Full Court. Litigants should be in the position of knowing that an appeal would be heard by a Court entirely free from preconceptions, whose decision would be based upon facts and arguments presented to minds open and not unconsciously biased.

It is always easier to point out a fault than to indicate a remedy. The appointment of a third judge, which is the simplest solution of the problem, may be objected to on the score of expense. If that expedient be impracticable, at present, it should be possible to arrange with Singapore and Shanghai, through the proper channel, for the establishment of an ambulatory Appeal Court which would sit at stated intervals in each centre. We are quite aware that there are many objections to this course; that the judges in Shanghai are on a different footing to judges in Crown Colonies, and so on, but are these obstacles insuperable? The desideratum is an Appeal Court that should fulfil the functions of similar courts in other parts of the Empire; we merely suggest a possible method of obtaining such a court and are fully prepared to admit that we are mistaken in supposing that the course we indicate is practicable if conclusive evidence to that effect is forthcoming. If it be not forthcoming then the blame for allowing the present unsatisfactory system to continue must rest on those who are responsible for its maintenance.

DAY BY DAY.

Abdication from a tottering Throne may be the better part of valour.

To-day's Paper.

The telegrams on page 1 include several of special interest in regard to the Revolution. Locally the most interesting event is the opening of the Courts of Justice, which is fully reported on this page. On page 8 appears the announcement of our photographic competition, while a London Letter of more than usual interest will be found on page 3.

A coal junk collided with a trading junk at Yau-mat, yesterday, and damaged it to the extent of \$30.

The dead body of a male child, has been found at the junction of Bakery Road and Morrison Hill Gap Road.

Mr. R. H. A. Gresson, head of the Calcutta firm of Messrs. Jardine, Matheson & Co., Ltd., has been elected Sheriff of Calcutta.

Mr. Justice Scrutton to a stylish lady giving evidence at the Law Courts: "Speak up, madam. What with your veil, and what with your hat, I can neither hear you nor see you."

For failing to license his boat, a fisherman was fined \$10 or fourteen days' hard labour by Commander C. W. Beckwith, R.N., Harbour Master, at the Marine Court this morning.

The French airship, *Adjutant Beau*, recently attained an altitude of 6,980 feet, carrying six passengers. This is claimed as a record. This airship also claims the records for long distance and duration.

A fine of \$200 or three months' hard labour, was imposed on Ho Po-wah, from the province of Honan, at the Magistracy, this morning, for having in his possession at 180, Des Vaux Road, arms and ammunition contrary to law.

Major H. M. Watson, P. L. Spicer, Lieut. H. G. Bagnall, C. H. Reynolds, R. H. Thompson, R. G. A. 5 Indian Officers, 4 European N. O. C., 200 native rank and file H. K. A. B., R. G. A., and 1 N. C. O. A. O. C., proceeded to camp at Customs Pass on 10th instant, for movable armament practice.

P. C. McMillan charged the master of a fishing junk at the Harbour Office this morning with disobeying the orders of the Harbour Master. Defendant was seen sinking two bags of coal in the Wanchai Junk Anchorage. A fine of \$10 or 14 days' hard labour was imposed. For a similar offence, another boatman was fined \$5 or seven days' hard labour.

"You were very lucky not to kill the plaintiff—or you would have been hanged" were the words of Mr. Irving, at the Magistracy, this morning, when ordering Lung Ngok, to pay \$5 or go to prison for fourteen days, for assaulting Wong Chum, at 71 Connaught Road on the 7th inst. Four others charged along with Ngok were each ordered to pay \$2 or five days' imprisonment.

In view of the critical condition prevailing in this country and the strong attitude adopted by the revolutionaries, the Empress Dowager feels very sorrowful and weeps most of the time. His Majesty the Emperor has been ordered not to take any more lessons, commencing from the 9th of this moon (December 28). Imperial tutors Lu, Ch'u and Yi will no longer resort to the Imperial Palace to give their daily instruction to the Emperor. "Peking Daily News."

Alleged Hotel Robbery.

We have been informed that a guest at the Grand Carlton Hotel has been robbed of a watch and jewellery to the extent of \$200.00. It is supposed that the entry to the room was obtained by the window, adjacent to which is a water spout upon which the thieves are supposed to have climbed. No arrests have been made as yet.

We are informed that an European gentleman has been removed from one of the hotels suffering from small-pox.

Several cases of dumping have been reported during the week-end. In the majority of instances death was due to small-pox.

We have received from the Hongkong Hotel six useful desk blotters, which announce the date of the opening of the Hotel's Grill Rooms—Jan. 24.

The agenda for to-morrow's meeting of the Sanitary Board contains a little of public importance except the arrangement of duties for inspection during the first half of the year.

At the Magistracy, this morning, a fine of \$25 or a month's imprisonment was imposed on a man for being in possession of arms and ammunition without a permit.

The P. & O. s.s. *Arcadia*, which is due here on Thursday, brings parcel mails which closed in London for despatch by the all sea route on Dec. 13, and for despatch overland on Dec. 20.

Tau Sui said he would reserve his defence to a charge of forging an opium permit preferred against him at the Magistracy, this morning. He was committed to the Criminal Sessions for trial.

For wood stealing a man was sentenced to three weeks' imprisonment this morning, at the Magistracy. This was the most serious of many such cases. Wood stealing is becoming very common just now.

Through fooling with flower sellers a local European young man nearly landed himself into serious trouble. One of the numerous flower sellers complained to a picturehouse manager that a member of his audience had taken flowers and not paid for them. The vendor pointed to the man in the audience and the manager was surprised to find it was a man who had been constantly gain-representing himself to be a detective. Thanks to the good nature of the manager no further steps than admonishing the individual were taken.

The Colony's Health. Three cases of bubonic plague occurred in the City of Victoria during the week ended January 13, two of which terminated fatally. Twenty-seven cases and 19 deaths from small-pox were reported and six cases of diphtheria. Three of the latter had a fatal termination.

Tuberculosis Congress.

The General Secretary of the seventh International Congress against Tuberculosis, which is to be held at Rome between April 14 and 20, writes asking us to announce that the attendance would be welcome of all who take part in the struggle against this terrible scourge, irrespective of sex.

English As She Is Written.

Hidden humour is often detected in the phrases coined by some of our Chinese friends. A sign in bold gilt letters across the show-window of a draper's store reads: "Give Up Business; Cheap Sale." The individual coming across such a notice is very likely to give it up as a bad job. There is a refreshing brusqueness about the notice. Another notice reads: "No Stick, which is evidently meant to convey the warning: "Stick No Bills."

Another Celebration.

As a result of the reported abdication of the Throne, the local Republican enthusiasts to-day expressed their joy in the usual manner by a lavish display of the Revolutionary flags, etc. This is one explanation, but we are told on most reliable authority that the occasion celebrated is the selection of Dr. Sun Yat-sen as President of the United Provinces. A further complication is the fact that an announcement in the "N. C. Daily News" of Jan. 12, signed by the Commissioner of Customs, states that "The Customs House will be closed on January 15, the day fixed by the local Government for the celebration of the New Year."

COURTS OF JUSTICE.

Formal Opening.

The well of the Chief Justice's court was filled this morning when His Excellency the Governor entered to make a formal declaration of the opening of the courts for the administration of justice. In the jury box sat General and Mrs. Anderson while on the same side of the Court were seated many ladies. Round the dock, along the right and even in the press box sat a large gathering of local solicitors while the seats at the table were occupied by members of the Bar, including the Hon. Mr. Rees Davies, Attorney General, Hon. Mr. H. E. Pollock, K.C.; Hon. Dr. Ho Kai, Mr. M. W. Slade, K.C., Mr. H. L. Denny, Sr., President of the Hongkong Law Society, Messrs. Woodcock, O. G. Alabaster, and E. Pollock.

Shortly after eleven o'clock the Chief Justice, Sir Francis Pigott, and the Puisne Judge took up seats on the dais, awaiting the coming of H. E. the Governor. They had hardly assumed the black cap, inseparable from legal state functions, when the rising of the court greeted the Governor who entered by the Judges' door. He was greeted by the Judges and conducted to the principal seat, the Chief Justice sitting on his right and the Puisne Judge on the left. Hardly had they assumed their positions when the Registrar of the court entered by the main door and taking his place below the bench read the proclamation of His Excellency removing the administration of Justice from the old Law Courts to the new Courts of Justice as, by the proclamation, they are now to be called. This document also fixed the names of the other courts as "The Second Court" and the "Summary Court."

Then His Excellency addressed the gathering, all present standing. "Gentlemen, your honour, ladies and gentlemen: It is a little over eight years since my predecessor, Sir Henry Blake, laid the foundation stone of these Courts of Justice, which it has fallen to my good fortune to declare open to-day. They have taken long to build, and have cost much money, but in their massive granite walls and pillars they stand unrivalled in the Far East—a monument of which we may be proud. Our Government Offices, our City Halls, our theatres and our various public buildings we are content to build of less durable material, but it seems to be a thoroughly British sentiment that our Courts of Justice shall always surpass all other structures in durability, firm set on their foundations and built four-square to all the winds that blow, as an outward symbol, perhaps, of the Justice which shall stand firm though the skies fall, and which we take pride in associating with the British flag."

The period, sir, during which both you and I may be privileged in our respective spheres to serve towards completion. Other Chief Justices will preside in this Court and other Governors will endeavour to represent their Sovereign here without fear or favour. Time will bring great changes of which we see the beginnings to-day. Constitutions of Empires may change, the map of the world may change, but day by day through the long vista of the years to come the status of Justice, with shrouded vision holding impartial scales, which shall stand impervious to all changes and storms; and day by day the task of administering justice shall take place within these walls with even and unwearied course. It is a grand conception—it is the conception on which the British Empire has been built."

Sir, as the representative of His Gracious Majesty, it is my privilege to usurp your place to-day for the purpose of declaring these Courts of Justice to be open. In doing so, I express on my own behalf, and on behalf of the Crown and the people, generations—generations of the people of this colony—the confident hope that the justice administered in these courts shall ever be maintained in accordance with British traditions and that you and your successors may be endowed with special gifts of prescience and discrimination to guide the solemn judgments you shall deliver here. As justice is the foremost attribute which we ascribe to God, so may God help you and them to minister it aright. I hand you here, sir, the key.

The Chief Justice in a happily worded speech remarked that many of them had watched the progress of the building, some for three years, others for five, and some for seven. The progress of the building, had been so slow, the time of observation so long, that even the least of them with however small a knowledge of architecture had come to criticize and have a fling of sarcasm at the details. From top to bottom none had been spared, but when His Excellency came on behalf of the King to declare the courts open they must be blind to its blemishes and thankful for its good points. Detailing some of the good points, His Lordship spoke of the stability of the building, and he thought that the Colony might be justly proud of the famous masonry which through these years had been put together. Another point which he touched on was the size of the buildings and the courts, and he thought that the great court and even the two lesser courts were almost among the largest in the British Empire. The building of these courts came to emphasize the truth, to which he was never weary of referring, of the position which that Supreme Court held in the Empire.

The wealth of the suitors and the difficult problems which presented themselves for solution made the court second to none.

Speaking of the ubiquity of British Jurisdiction, His Lordship remarked on the many peculiar points of international law which the Judges here had learned brothers at home only knew of darkly through the text books. On an occasion like that he would like say that that ubiquity to which he had referred compelled the court to deal daily with the property, rights, and obligations of Chinese, not only subjects of the King, but Chinese residents and merchants, whose daily life and occupation were in the Colony. Up to the present time the Court had been somewhat blind in their endeavours to unravel the laws, which it had to administer, relating to the Chinese family law and the laws of succession. In this connection he thought His Excellency had earned the thanks of every Chinese suitor who came to the Court, for the steps he had taken in this matter, and on behalf of the Judges he thanked him for so readily accepting the proposal which the judges had made to him on the subject.

After thanking His Excellency for the key and for declaring the courts open, His Lordship turned to the Attorney General and asked:—

Mr. Attorney-General, do you move?

The Hon. Mr. Rees Davies:—My Lord, I move that the minutes of this day's proceedings be entered in the minutes of the court.

His Lordship:—Let it be so.

His Excellency then departed and their lordships sitting in appellate jurisdiction heard the appeal in the case of *Lai Chi-chin v. Tang Wong-shi*.

INTERESTING POINTS.

An interesting fact about the Law Courts is that over 12,000 tons of granite have been used in the structure. Great care was taken to secure uniformity of colour and we are informed that quite as much material had to be rejected on account of one fault or another. The stone was quarried from a place opposite Shau-kiwan.

In the large Chief Justice's Court, one defect was made apparent this morning. The size of the court causes certain resounding effects which somewhat spoil the acoustics. This, however, may be easily remedied by stretching wire across the apartment at a suitable height.

H. E. THE GOVERNOR.

Visits of Inspection.

His Excellency recently inspected the Emigration Office and Imports and Exports offices with the Director of Public Works and the Superintendent of Imports and Exports. A thorough inspection was also made of the Lunatic Asylum, Hon. Mr. Hewitt and Hon. Mr. Osborne together with the P.C.M.O. and Dr. Ball, accompanying His Excellency. He subsequently visited the new nurses' and coolies' quarters at the Kennedy Town Hospital, where Dr. Kelly awaited him. Later with the D.P.W. he inspected the progress made in the new building for the Western Market, and various other public works in course of construction.

SATURDAY'S SUCCESS—FUL HARLEQUINADE.

Local Amateurs Delight Packed House.

That the local amateur exponents of the histrionic art possess a good deal of talent was amply proved by Saturday night's function at the City Hall which was witnessed by an appreciative and delighted audience.

Mrs. Gordon, one of the most favourite figures on the local concert platform, sang "Kalinka" in her usual finished style. As is well-known, this lady is the fortunate possessor of a rich voice of wide range and compass. Mr. F. H. Carr, with Miss Lillie Leighton and Mr. Geo. Griffith, was responsible for what was described on the programme as an octet—song and dance in character. The "White-Eyed Kaffir" in a musical interlude threatened to unfurl more than one button and provide the housewife with no little extra work. The "Yels" (perhaps there is a delightful romance attached to the origin of the strange sobriquet), the "Artistic Acrobats," the "Floradora Sextette," Karsgrum and Ninsky, described as the popular Russian dancers, all shone in their respective roles. The toy-shop scene of Thursday afternoon was repeated with success. Capt. Addison sang at the piano with effect. "The Welcome Club," Earl's Court depicted a gay ensemble of diners and, incidentally, the woes of a bachelor. That unfortunate individual was ably portrayed by Mr. J. McGregor.

The "Grand Harlequinade" was the concluding portion of the evening's entertainment and went off with a fine swing. When the entertainment ended, the audience was loath to leave, and Oliver Twist-like, would have liked to stay, but Peak tried hard to be obliging and Kowloon Ferries chased and so the management had to keep things down to a minimum. The Band of the K.O.Y.L.I. was again in attendance and rendered selections in faultless style. Great praise is due to the organizers of the variety show—Capt. Agg and Mr. F. O. Carter, K.O.Y.L.I.

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IMPORTANT APPEAL.

The Lai Chi-chin Case.

The first case to be heard in the Courts of Justice to-day, was in its way as important as the day itself, for it dealt with an action for wrongful arrest. Heard originally on Sept. 4 of last year it has acquired fame in local legal circles as the *Lai Chi-chin* case. It was a claim by *Lai Chi-chin* against *Tang Wong-shi* for damages for wrongful arrest and was taken in the Lower Court before Mr. Justice Gompertz and a special jury who found for the defendant.

To-day, Mr. M. W. Slade, K.C., instructed by Messrs. Butten and Hall, appeared to appeal on behalf of the plaintiff on the ground, that the verdict was against the weight of evidence; that the questions left to the jury by the learned judge were not proper questions and misleading, and that there had been instances of misdirection of the jury by His Lordship.

Mr. E. Potter, instructed by Mr. F. W. Goldring, appeared for the respondent. The case was proceeding when we went to press.

TELEGRAMS.

TRIPOLI WAR.

STIRRING SEA FIGHT.

[Service to the "Telegraph".]

Bombay, Jan. 15, 7.55 a.m.
Routier's correspondent at Rome says that a dispatch from the Italian commander in the Red Sea gives a graphic description of the fight (reported in our issue of Saturday).

He says he was convinced that the gunboats were concealed in the Farsan Islands, off Lohia, and he determined upon a driving movement with his available warships which was also intended to dislodge the large forces at Lohia, Midy and Kufuda.

SCOURING THE COAST.

The cruisers Calabria and Puglia bombarded Lohia and Midy to divert the enemy's attention. Meanwhile the Piemonte and two destroyers were scouring the coast of Jeddah southwards. They sighted a yacht and gunboats. Action was opened at 7,000 metres and developed rapidly, the land batteries supporting the gunboats.

ENDED AT NIGHTFALL.

The engagement lasted three hours and ended at nightfall by the putting out of action and defeat of the gunboats, which retired.

Some of them ran ashore and the demoralised crews landed under cover of darkness carrying ammunition and flags.

COMPLETE DESTRUCTION.

These were seized by an Italian landing party in the morning, when the warships again bombarded the gunboats, completing their destruction.

The Turks have abandoned Runfud. The Italians avoided hitting the mosques.

Without incurring any losses the Italians bombarded and scattered columns of troops and camels proceeding to Lohia.

FIRE AT WEST POINT.

Heavy Insurance.

About 1.40 yesterday morning a fire broke out in the top floor of 72, Ko Shing Street. The room, which is used as a medicine store, was gutted. The floor immediately below was very seriously damaged and the ground floor and stock was damaged by water only.

The brigade were soon on the spot and for the most part concentrated their efforts on preventing the fire spreading to the adjoining property.

It is of interest to know that the room in which the fire broke out is insured with two local firms to the extent of \$8,400.00. In one instance the policy was for \$4,000.00 and in the other \$4,400.00.

Mr. Dudley Ward stated in the House of Commons that the estimated total cost of repairing the damage done to the windows of public offices by Suffragettes on the night of November 2 was £20.

Mr. John Claude White read a paper on December 18 before the East India Association at the Caxton Hall on "A Short Description of Sikkim, Lhasa, and Part of Tibet." Sir Robert Fulton presided.

An advertiser in a Shanghai paper, who wants a post as assistant in a mercantile firm or bank, says he is "willing to work and has no objection to salary." There should be something of a rush after a man who consents to allow him to accept payment for work done.

TELEGRAMS.

FRENCH POLITICS.

NEW CABINET.

[Service to the "Telegraph".]

Bombay, Jan. 15, 7.55 a.m.
Routier's Paris correspondent says that the new Cabinet is constituted as follows:—Premier and Minister of Foreign Affairs, M. Poincaré; Minister of Justice and Vice President of the Cabinet, M. Briand; Minister of War, M. Millerand; Minister of Marine, M. Delouso; Minister of Finance, M. Klotz; Minister of Colonies, M. Lohr; Minister of Labour, M. Bourgeois.

WELL RECEIVED.

The new Cabinet has been generally well received and the Republicans hail it as a great national ministry capable of rehabilitating France in the eyes of Europe. The Opposition comments are remarkably temperate.

PREMIER'S PROPHECY.

M. Poincaré in the course of an interview said that if the Chamber would support the Government they would soon find a solution of the present difficulties.—Routier.

THE ABDICATION.

Revolutionary Generosity.

In view of the reported abdication of the Emperor the extract from the "N. C. Daily News" given below is interesting and may be explanatory.

The following extremely generous proposals for the future disposition of the Emperor, the Court, Manchus generally and others, has been telegraphed to Peking by the Provisional Republican Government:—

1. The Emperor shall be treated with all the dignity attaching to the Sovereign of a foreign nation on Chinese soil.

2. The Court shall reside at the Summer Palace. (This apparently means at Jehol.)

3. His Majesty shall receive a liberal annual allowance, the amount to be settled by the National Assembly. (The extraordinarily liberal figure of £10,000,000 has been suggested, but this amount which is more than twice what King George receives would seem to exceed all the necessities of the case.)

4. All their ancestral mansions and temples shall be secured to them.

5. The person of the Imperial Family shall be fully protected and their property and wealth retained to the Manchus.

6. Manchus, Mohammedans, Turkomans and Tibetans will be treated as Chinese citizens and their private property protected.

7. The Eight Banners shall continue to draw the same pensions as heretofore, until further means can be devised of living. The former restrictions put upon the Bannermen's right to trade and to reside outside fixed localities are removed.

8. The Imperial Princes shall retain their titles and property under the protection of the Chinese Government.

The proposed University for China is to be supported by the London Chamber of Commerce.

The new wireless telegraphy station at Colombi will have a range of 450 miles under favourable conditions.

The death is announced at Peking on January 1 of Mr. Harold O. Henry. Mr. Henry was a student interpreter of the American Legation.

The death is reported by the "Peking Daily News" of Lieut. MacAlister, an officer attached to the British Legation, Peking, from scarlet fever on January 1.

The King has appointed the King of Siam to be an Honorary Member of the Civil Division of the First Class of Knights Grand Cross of the Most Honourable Order of the Bath.



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REVOLUTION AND TRADE.

The following is from the "N. C. Daily News" of Jan. 9:—

At the Mixed Court yesterday particulars were given of another daring attempt within the Settlement to abduct a prominent Chinese, and carry him off to the City. The intended victim on this occasion was an ex-Taotai who was formerly in charge of the mint at Canton, and it was only by the vigilance of the police that the scheme of the kidnappers was foiled.

The affair occurred on Saturday, and was evidently very deeply laid. The ex-Taotai either lived with, or was visiting, a friend in an alleyway at the corner of Cheong-king-and-Foochow Roads, for about one o'clock in the afternoon, a carriage drove up to the entrance and waited. For hours the vehicle remained in attendance, but it was not until eight o'clock that an opportunity offered for the carrying out of the scheme. At that hour the ex-Taotai and a friend walked out of the alleyway. The latter was not paying particular heed to what was going on around, and suddenly he found that his companion was no longer with him, and that the carriage which had been standing at the door was driving away.

What happened was that as soon as the ex-Taotai stepped out of the alleyway he was seized by a couple of men and bundled into the carriage. The door was slammed to, and the pony driven off. One of the men remained inside with him, and forced him to the floor, closing his mouth with his hand so that he was unable to cry out. The mafio had been bribed to drive to the City, and but for the crowded condition of the street no doubt the plot would have succeeded. As it was the people round about immediately got wind of the affair, and the news spread like wildfire. The policeman on the bridge learned of it, and when the carriage drove along making for the French Concession, he attempted to hold it up. He failed to do so, but did the next best thing, directed it down Sungking Road, and here it came to the end of its journey. A Sikh and Chinese policeman were in the vicinity, and they brought it to a halt, releasing the ex-Taotai from his uncomfortable captivity and arresting his captor.

Just at that moment a Chinese arrived on the scene, and addressing the constables said that it was all right, and that they need not bother about the affair. He also told them to let their prisoner go. Cool though the attempt was it did not succeed. The police knew their business too well, and promptly took the man into custody. When the police station was reached they took off his long gown, and beneath found the full uniform of the revolutionary army. The mafio was also arrested, and all three were yesterday brought up at the Mixed Court.

Mr. C. G. Kirk prosecuted and in the course of the hearing the ex-Taotai identified the uniformed man, as the one who had hustled him into the carriage. All three prisoners were remanded.

The following is from the "N. C. Daily News" of Jan. 10:—With the deadlock in the peace negotiations the little movement there was in trade has almost completely disappeared, although there is a very small trade done with the North. The Yangtze Valley is absolutely closed to trade, and the local Chinese dealers who bought on the expectation of cargo being removed from that quarter, and the native banks that financed them, are finding themselves in a very uncomfortable position. There is not the slightest confidence in the permanency of peace among the merchants in the interior, and it is practically impossible to induce them to do any business.

On the other hand the propensity for hoarding is alarmingly on the increase. Gold and sovereigns are being bought in increasing quantities, and every available cent is being withdrawn from the banks and other channels of trade. The situation looks very black indeed for trade, especially so when there is no military activity in the Yangtze Valley and there is not much chance of their being any. Moreover, so far the establishment of a new Government at Nanking has not had the effect in inducing the merchants to resume their usual occupations.

WORLD'S GREATEST MEN.

Carnegie's List.

Mr. Andrew Carnegie gives the following as his list of the twenty great men who have made the world what it is:—

William Shakespeare, the greatest English dramatist.
William T. G. Morton, American dentist, who first administered ether as an anesthetic in 1846.

Edward Jenner, English physician, who discovered vaccination in 1796.

James B. Neilson, the British engineer, who, early in the nineteenth century, invented the use of the hot blast in smelting furnaces.

Abraham Lincoln, who, as president of the United States, freed the slaves in 1862.

Robert Burns, the Scotch lyric poet of the eighteenth century.

Johannes Gutenberg, generally accredited as the inventor of printing in the fifteenth century.

Thomas Al. Edison, whose inventions include the phonograph and incandescent lamp.

Sir William Siemens, German-English physicist, engineer and inventor of the latter nineteenth century.

Sir Henry Bessemer, the English engineer, who invented the Bessemer steel process in 1856.

David Mushet, Scotch metallurgist, who originated the method of assaying iron ores generally used.

Christopher Columbus, discoverer of America.

James Watt, who invented the condensing steam engine in 1765.

Alexander Graham Bell, who developed the telephone into a commercial success.

Sir Richard Arkwright, who invented the cotton spinning frame.

Benjamin Franklin, for his demonstration that lightning is a discharge of electricity.

William Murdoch, who invented the oscillating steam engine and made the first practical use of illuminating gas in 1765.

James Hargreaves, inventor in 1764 of the spinning jenny.

George Stephenson, perfecter of the locomotive.

William Symington, British inventor, who, in 1786, constructed a working steam road carriage.

DON'T FORGET.

Tuesday, Jan. 16.

Sanitary Board.

Wednesday, Jan. 17.

Auction of Booths and Mats on the Spot, by Messrs. Hughes & Hough, 3 p.m.

Thursday, Jan. 18.

Criminal Sessions.

Friday, Jan. 19.

Sanitary Board Elections. Lectures at City Hall by Pastor Russell.

Saturday, Jan. 20.

Medical Congress. Opened.

Tuesday, Jan. 23.

Meeting of seaholders and subscribers in St. Andrew's Church, 8 p.m.

Thursday, Jan. 25.

Eleventh Ordinary Meeting of The Hongkong Land Reclamation Co., Ltd., 11.30 a.m.

Twentieth Ordinary Meeting of The West Point Building Co., Ltd., 11.45 a.m.

Twenty-fourth Ordinary Meeting of The Hongkong Land Investment and Agency Co., Ltd., 11.45 a.m.

Tuesday, Feb. 6.

Ninety-first ordinary half-yearly meeting of the Hongkong, Canton and Macao Steamboat Co., Ltd., 2 p.m.

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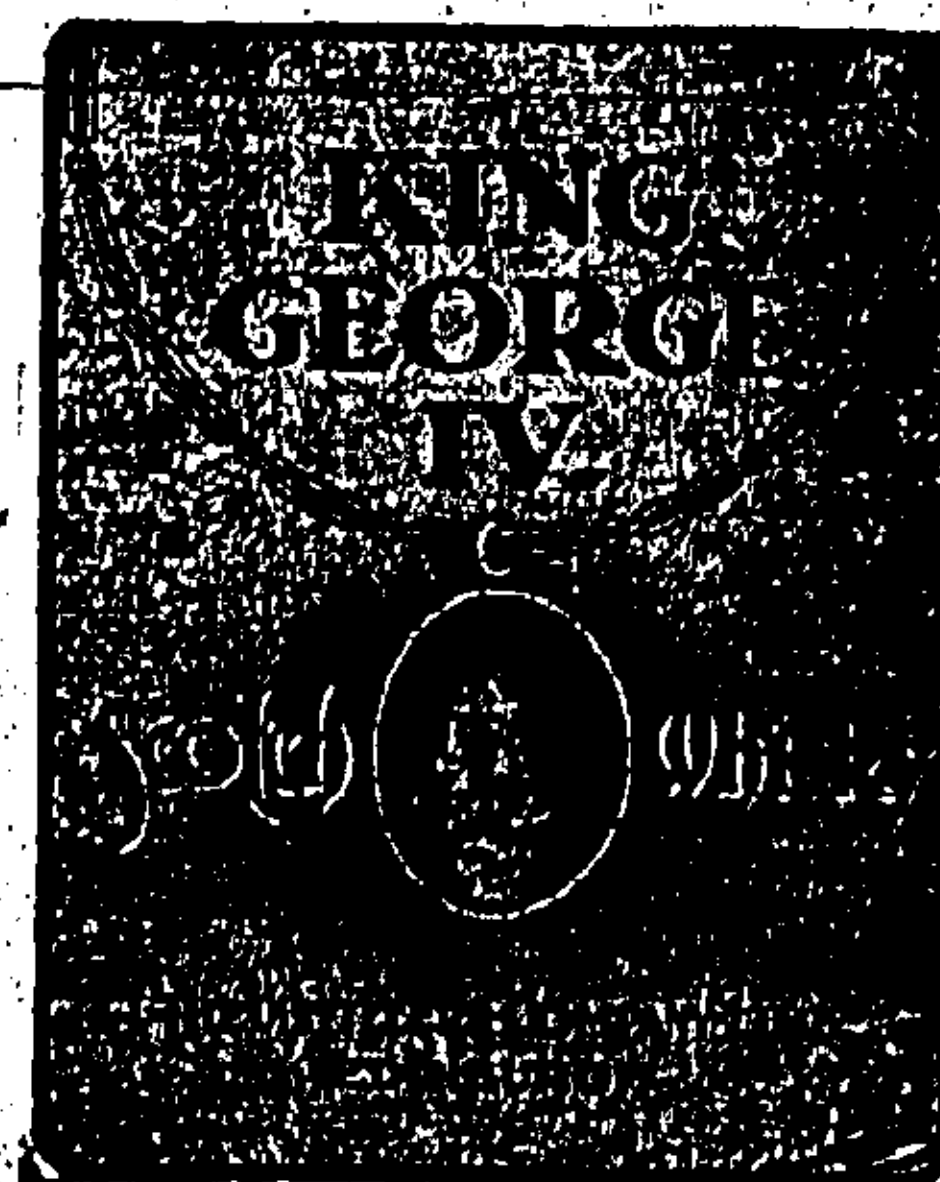
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COMMERCIAL

World's Crops

The November number of the "Bulletin of Agricultural Statistics" has just been published, under the direction of Professor Umberto Biondi, by the International Institute of Agriculture, Rome. Tables for the more important cereals are reproduced with additions and alterations made in accordance with official information received at the institute up to November 15.

The most important additions consist in the figures of rice production in Egypt (3,806,400 quintals, against 4,875,306 quintals in 1910), and the area under rice in India (21,363,310 hectares, against 22,166,947 hectares a year ago). The principal alterations are in the figures of production for wheat and rye in Russia in Europe, and of maize in the United States.

The single numerical statement of the production i.e., the ratio, expressed in the form of a percentage, between the production in 1911 and that in 1910, has not undergone any important changes, being now: for wheat, 100.2; rye, 93.4; barley, 90.4; oats, 100.8. The production of maize shows a considerable decrease compared with the production last year; the single numerical statement for the following group of countries: Spain, Hungary, Italy, Roumania, Russia, Switzerland, Canada, United States, Algeria, and Tunis being 89.1. This for rice is 109.6 for the following list of countries: Spain, Italy, United States, Japan and Egypt.

The pooriness of the sugar-beet crop this year is brought into evidence by the official figures of production in the following countries: Prussia, Belgium, Denmark, Hungary, Roumania, Russia, and Serbia. Though the area under sugar-beet this year shows a marked increase over last year's area (111.1 per cent.), the production has diminished from 295,016,655 quintals last year to 228,118,100 quintals for the present season. The single numerical statement of the production is therefore only 77.3. The greatest decrease has taken place in Prussia, where the output is only 52,233,420 quintals against 105,943,207 last year.

Singapore Share Market. Messrs. Fraser & Co.'s share circular, dated January 3, states:—

The firm tone of rubber shares has been well maintained with many advances in the sterling section, and several of the local stocks have been in good demand. Tin shares close with more enquiry, whilst Industrials remain steady.

Rubber.—Duffs have risen during the week to 15/3, at which a fair number changed hands. Ayer Kunings came to business at 15/7-1/2, Sapong at 24/- to 25/-. Consolidated Malay at 15/-, Heavies have been active and were taken at 4/9 with further buyers. Tobacco stand at 64/9 and Malacca Ordinary at 11. New Serendubs were a good market at \$2.05 to \$2.15, Ayer Panas at \$4.25, Alor Gajahs \$1.35, Teluk Ansons \$4.00 and Pegahs \$25.50. Singapore and Johore are wanted at \$10.50 and Nyalas at 25 cents.

Mining.—Tronohs close at \$27 with an easier tendency. Royal Johore came to business at 85 cents, Belats at \$3 with buyers now at \$3.25. Sungai Gaus are wanted at \$1.75 and Raubs at \$2.75 on the improved output of 808 ozs.

General.—Business has been done in Straits Trading at \$49, Trams 3/9, Riley Hargreaves \$97.50 to \$100 and 4.1-2 per cent. Municipal Debentures at 9 per cent. prem. Fraser and Neaves are on offer at \$47.50 and a few Steamships at \$270. Cold Storage have buyers at \$28.50 and Shells close steady at 80/- ex. div.

The following is from the "Shanghai Mercury" of Jan. 4:— Parties of several hundred men each were landed this morning from the British and American war ships in port. The men were fully equipped and as they marched along the Bund and Nanking Road, the British headed by drums and files and the Americans with bugles, they attracted considerable attention. They had a route march to the Recreation Ground and there had a couple of hours' drill, which was watched by a number of spectators.

SHARE REPORT.

S-SELLERS. SA-SALE. B-BUYERS.

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CRICKET.

C.C.C. v. R.A.M.C.

On Saturday the Orangewood C.C. met the R.A.M.C. in a friendly match and won easily by 28 runs and four wickets, thanks to the good work of E. L. Bragg, who in spite of a bad light managed to carry his bat for a useful score of 74 runs. The scores were:

Craigengower,	
H. H. Taylor, b. Davis	5
J. V. Bragg, o. McLellan, b. Davis	8
H. Kapp, o. Edson, b. Shipton	5
E. L. Bragg, not out	74
S. B. Battilwara, b. Shipton	0
J. D. Norrie, run out	23
H. Remedios, run out	1
H. Murray, not out	19
Extras	9
Total (for 6 wickets)	150

R. A. M. C.

Major Ponny, b. J. Bragg	30
Pto. Hill, b. Taylor	2
St. Sgt. Davis, o. Norrie, b. Bragg	5
Lieut. Lambkin, Taylor	17
Sgt. Maj. Edson, o. Sub., b. E. Bragg	19
St. Sgt. McLellan, b. Shipton	15
Pto. Shipton, b. E. Bragg	7
Pto. Crofts, o. Norrie, b. Bragg	6
Pto. Cloridge, b. Battilwara	0
Pto. Bamford, st. b. Battilwara	1
Pto. Ovenden, not out	1
Extras	16
Total	122

FAMINE FUNDS.

Enthusiasm in Singapore.

The following is from the "Straits Times" of Jan. 6:—The demonstration and dramatic performance organised by the Hokien women and held in the Sin Boo Tai Hall, Weyang Street, last night (writes a correspondent) was an undoubted success. For the occasion, the hall was very tastefully decorated and a Manila band was in attendance. Despite the high prices that ruled, ranging from \$1 to \$15, the house was packed to the utmost. Most of the leading Chinese merchants were present, and it may be added that not more than twenty persons could be seen still wearing the queue amongst the hundreds of people. Mr. Tan Kah-kee, a wealthy merchant and shipowner, was the first man to speak of the cause on behalf of which the performance was being held. He said that the receipts would be handed over to the Hokien Poh Ann Hway, who will remit the amount to Amoy, thence to all the affected provinces in China, where distress is prevalent. Dr. Lim Boon-ong then spoke. China, to become a large nation, he said, must first of all have her sons speak one language instead of many languages as at present. Then, when all had been united into one, having no particular distinctions between one clan and another, China might be strong. He hoped the Chinese of the Southern Seas should never think that as they were not in China they were not useful members of the empire. The Chinese outside China ought always to think of and cling to China. China was like the body of a man and its people outside, who are as hands and fingers to it, should come forward and feed the body. If it was not fed then it would die and so hands and all would be useless. After the speech, the school boys from the Hokien Mandarin School went over some drilling exercises and songs. Whilst the programme was being carried out, subscriptions were freely given. The female actors played for a short time, when the full photograph of Dr. Sun Yat-sen was offered for sale to the highest bidder. The amount offered rose from \$100 by bids of \$50 to \$500, at which it was bought by Mr. Ong Elk-cheong. Photographs of General Wong Hing, General Li Yuan-heng, Ong Cheong-wai, and Wu Han-meng, Governor-General of Canton, were sold for \$500, \$500, \$400 and \$300, respectively. After the sales the wayang was resumed. Several thousands of dollars were raised altogether.

FOR AMATEUR PHOTO-GRAPHERS.

PRIZES OFFERED FOR THE BEST PRINTS.

In order to stimulate interest in photography in Hongkong, the proprietor has decided to offer two prizes for the best photographs submitted to the editor by amateur photographers in the Colony, between now and the January 31. Should results justify it, the competition will become a monthly competition and two prizes will be awarded each month. From this competition professional photographers will be rigidly excluded, and no member of the "Telegraph" staff shall be allowed to compete. A professional photographer, for the purposes of the competition, shall be adjudged as one who makes his living, wholly or in part, from photography.

RULES OF COMPETITION.

Each competitor may send as many photographs as he or she pleases, provided that every photograph is accompanied by a coupon. The coupon will be found below and will appear daily. A coupon from any issue, between now and January 31, must accompany each print.

For the photograph adjudged the best, a prize of \$10 will be awarded to the sender. For the photograph adjudged as next in merit, a prize of \$5 will be awarded. Should two photographs be of equal merit, the \$15 shall be equally divided between the senders, but no competitor may win both prizes. The editor shall be the sole judge and his decision must be accepted as final. Photographs can be accepted only on this understanding:

Photographs must be submitted only on the express understanding that the editor may, at his discretion, use any or all of the photographs, either in the "Hongkong Telegraph" or in the "Weekly Telegraph," in such manner as seems best to him, but that they shall not be put by him to any purpose outside of these journals.

Competitors shall not submit copies of competitive photographs to any other newspaper until the expiry of one month from the date of announcing the editor's decision.

The names and addresses of prize-winners will be announced early in February.

Hints to Competitors.

What are especially wanted are photographs of topical interest, illustrative of the daily life of the colony. A picture of some event of strong public interest or a snapshot, even of two or three local celebrities enjoying (let us say) a good joke in the street, is of much more compelling interest to residents in the Colony than an excellent picture of the harbour or the Peak.

The best photograph, therefore, need not necessarily be the finest picture, though each photograph will, of course, be judged as a picture. But, other things being equal, the most "live" picture—the picture, in the judgment of the editor, most likely to interest the greatest number of readers—would be adjudged the best.

Whether snapshots or posed photographs are sent, then, they should actively touch some phase of life in the colony. Whether of men or women, of a sporting event or a street scene, they should be "live."

The editor will be pleased to answer, in these columns, any questions put by intending competitors, on points which may require amplification.

Photographic Competition Coupon.

Jan. 13, 1912.

I agree to enter the photographic competition on the express understanding that the editor's decision shall be final, and that he may at his discretion use the print sent herewith either in the "Hongkong Telegraph" or the "Weekly Telegraph."

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POST OFFICE.

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The Parcel Post system to the following places in China is for the present suspended:—Huph, Szechuan, Hunan, Kuaihor and Tangtun.

MAILS DUE.

English, Arabic, 18th inst.
American, Siberia, 19th inst.
American, China, 23rd inst.
American, Manchuria, 23rd prox.

MAILS CLOSE.

Swatow and Shanghai—Per Kwong-sang, 16th Jan., 10 a.m.
Swatow—Per Haimun, 16th Jan., 10 a.m.

EUROPE, &c., INDIA VIA TIGORIN (Late Letters 11.00 a.m. Extra Postage 10 cents.) (Letters posted in all the Pillar Boxes in time for the first clearance will be included in this contract mail.)
Per: Calcutta, 16th Jan., 11 a.m.

Batavia, Cheribon, Samarang, and Sourabaya—Per Tijboda, 16th Jan., 11 a.m.
Macao—Per Sui Tai, 10th Jan., 1.15 p.m.

Manila, Cebu and Iloilo—Per Taming, 10th Jan., 8 p.m.
Singapore, Penang and Colombo—Per Iyo-maru, 16th Jan., 5 p.m.

Swatow, Amoy and Foochow—Per Chosun-maru, 16th Jan., 5 p.m.
Swatow and Shanghai—Per Kwong-sang, 16th Jan., 5 p.m.

Fort Bayard and Haiphong—Per Sikiang, 17th Jan., 8 a.m.
Hoithow and Haiphong (taking mails for Pakhoi)—Per Singan, 17th Jan., 10 a.m.

Nagasaki, Kobe and Yokohama—Per Yawata-maru, 17th Jan., 11 a.m.
Singapore, Penang and Calcutta—Per C. Apur, 17th Jan., 11 a.m.

Macao—Per Sui Tai, 17th Jan., 1.15 p.m.
Amoy and Ningpo—Per Chihli, 17th Jan., 3 p.m.

Swatow, Amoy and Foochow—Per Haiyang, 18th Jan., 10 a.m.
Macao—Per Sui Tai, 18th Jan., 1.15 p.m.

Shanghai—Per Chihai, 18th Jan., 3 p.m.
Tientsin, Weihaiwei and Chefoo—Per Hunan, 18th Jan., 8 p.m.

Swatow—Per Haimun, 19th Jan., 10 a.m.
Shanghai, Kobe and Moji—Per Nam-sang, 19th Jan., 10 a.m.

Shanghai, Nagasaki, Kobe, Yokohama, Honolulu and San Francisco—Per Shinyo-maru, 19th Jan., 11 a.m.

Manila, Thursday Island, Cooktown, Cairns, Townsville, Brisbane, Sydney, Hobart, Launceston, New Zealand, Dunedin, Melbourne, Adelaide, Perth and Fremantle—Per Kuano Maru, 19th Jan., 10 a.m.

Macao—Per Sui Tai, 19th Jan., 1.15 p.m.
EUROPE, &c., INDIA VIA TIGORIN (Late Letters 11 a.m. to noon. Extra Postage 10 cents.) (Supplementary mail on board up to the time fixed for departure of the mail Extra Postage 10 cents.) (Letters posted in all the Pillar Boxes in time for the first clearance will be included in this contract mail.) The Parcel Mail will be closed on Friday, 19th Jan., at 5 p.m.—Per Delta, 20th Jan., 11 a.m.

Manila (taking Mail for Cebu and Iloilo)—Per Loongsang, 20th Jan., 1 p.m.
Macao—Per Sui Tai, 20th Jan., 1.15 p.m.

Manila, Manila, Iloilo, and Cebu—Per Rabi, 20th Jan., 3 p.m.

SHANGHAI, Siberian Mail to Europe—Per Anshu, 20th Jan., 6 p.m.

Swatow, Amoy and Foochow—Per Hatching, 21st Jan., 8 a.m.

Shanghai, Yokohama and Kobe—Per Nippon, 21st Jan., 9 a.m.

Singapore, Penang and Calcutta—Per Fokang, 23rd Jan., 11 a.m.

Manila, Cebu and Iloilo—Per Tean, 23rd Jan., 8 p.m.

EUROPE, &c., INDIA VIA TIGORIN (Late Letters 11.00 a.m. Extra Postage 10 cents.) (Letters posted in all the Pillar Boxes in time for the first clearance will be included in this contract mail.)
Per: Batavia, 24th Jan., 11 a.m.

Shanghai—Per Chennan, 25th Jan., 8 p.m.

SHIPPING NEWS.

The s.s. Karonga left Sabang on the 12th inst., and is due here on the 21st inst., p.m.

The H. A. L. s.s. Ambria left Singapore on the 13th inst., and may be expected here on the 20th inst., a.m.

The s.s. Siboga arrived at Manila on the 18th inst., and is expected to leave there on the 19th inst., arriving at Hongkong on the 19th inst., at 10 a.m.

ARRIVALS.

Borneo, Gen. s.s., 1.342, F. Sembill, 14th Jan.—Sandakan 8th Jan., Timber—M. & Co.
Chihai, Br. s.s., 1.880, Benson, 14th Jan.—Shanghai 11th Jan., Gen.—B. & S.

Dagui, Nor. s.s., 388, P. Solverson, 14th Jan.—Hongkong 11th Jan., Coal—A. T. & Co.

Hakata, Br. s.s., 641, A. H. Stewart, 15th Jan.—Swatow 18th Jan., Gen.—D. L. & Co.

St. Kiang, Fr. s.s., 616, E. de Catalano, 14th Jan.—Haiphong and Kwongchowwan 12th Jan., Gen.—M. M.

Tamon Maru No. 1, Jap. s.s., 1.142, Kawasaki, 14th Jan.—Dairen 7th Jan., Coal—M. B. K.

Tamon Maru No. 6, Jap. s.s., 2.120, Nakayama, 14th Jan.—Mik 8th Jan., Coal—M. B. K.

Calcutta, Fr. s.s., 2.613, Moller, 14th Jan.—Yokohama 10th Jan., Mail and Gen.—M. M.

Iyo Maru, Jap. s.s., 3.918, R. Takeda, 15th Jan.—Shanghai 12th Jan., Mail and Gen.—N. Y. K.

Yanetsu Maru, Jap. s.s., 2.366, T. Skikine, 15th Jan.—Melbourne 20th Dec., Gen.—N. Y. K.

Sydney, Fr. s.s., 2.408, Costa, 15th Jan.—Manilla 17th Dec., Gen.—M. M.

Maillie, Fr. s.s., 1.410, Halphong, 15th Jan.—Haiphong, 15th Jan., Gen.—M. M.

Haimun, for Swatow.
Lian, for Shanghai.
Takt-mara, for Kaitan.
Dortmund, for Singapore.
Auping, for Canton.

Colombo-maru, for Bombay.
Dagui, for Canton.
Chihai, for Canton.
Gothic, for Milke.
Petchaburi, for Singapore.
Dovre, for Kwongchowwan.
Fakul-mard, for Milke.
Tung Wah, for Shanghai.
Helene, for Swatow.
Lockau, for Singapore.

DEPARTED.

Jan. 14.
Haitan, for Swatow.
Dagui-maru, for Tamsui.
Lian, for Shanghai.
Takt-mara, for Kaitan.
Dortmund, for Singapore.
Auping, for Canton.

Jan. 15.
Colombo-maru, for Bombay.
Dagui, for Canton.
Chihai, for Canton.
Gothic, for Milke.
Petchaburi, for Singapore.
Dovre, for Kwongchowwan.
Fakul-mard, for Milke.
Tung Wah, for Shanghai.
Helene, for Swatow.
Lockau, for Singapore.

Jan. 16.
Haitan, for Swatow.
Dagui-maru, for Tamsui.
Lian, for Shanghai.
Takt-mara, for Kaitan.
Dortmund, for Singapore.
Auping, for Canton.

Colombo-maru, for Bombay.
Dagui, for Canton.
Chihai, for Canton.
Gothic, for Milke.
Petchaburi, for Singapore.
Dovre, for Kwongchowwan.
Fakul-mard, for Milke.
Tung Wah, for Shanghai.
Helene, for Swatow.
Lockau, for Singapore.

Jan. 17.
Haitan, for Swatow.
Dagui-maru, for Tamsui.
Lian, for Shanghai.
Takt-mara, for Kaitan.
Dortmund, for Singapore.
Auping, for Canton.

Colombo-maru, for Bombay.
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Dovre, for Kwongchowwan.
Fakul-mard, for Milke.
Tung Wah, for Shanghai.
Helene, for Swatow.
Lockau, for Singapore.

Jan. 18.
Haitan, for Swatow.
Dagui-maru, for Tamsui.
Lian, for Shanghai.
Takt-mara, for Kaitan.
Dortmund, for Singapore.
Auping, for Canton.

Colombo-maru, for Bombay.
Dagui, for Canton.
Chihai, for Canton.
Gothic, for Milke.
Petchaburi, for Singapore.
Dovre, for Kwongchowwan.
Fakul-mard, for Milke.
Tung Wah, for Shanghai.
Helene, for Swatow.
Lockau, for Singapore.

Jan. 19.
Haitan, for Swatow.
Dagui-maru, for Tamsui.
Lian, for Shanghai.
Takt-mara, for Kaitan.
Dortmund, for Singapore.
Auping, for Canton.

Colombo-maru, for Bombay.
Dagui, for Canton.
Chihai, for Canton.
Gothic, for Milke.
Petchaburi, for Singapore.
Dovre, for Kwongchowwan.
Fakul-mard, for Milke.
Tung Wah, for Shanghai.
Helene, for Swatow.
Lockau, for Singapore.

Jan. 20.
Haitan, for Swatow.
Dagui-maru, for Tamsui.
Lian, for Shanghai.
Takt-mara, for Kaitan.
Dortmund, for Singapore.
Auping, for Canton.

Colombo-maru, for Bombay.
Dagui, for Canton.
Chihai, for Canton.
Gothic, for Milke.
Petchaburi, for Singapore.
Dovre, for Kwongchowwan.
Fakul-mard, for Milke.
Tung Wah, for Shanghai.
Helene, for Swatow.
Lockau, for Singapore.

Jan. 21.
Haitan, for Swatow.
Dagui-maru, for Tamsui.
Lian, for Shanghai.
Takt-mara, for Kaitan.
Dortmund, for Singapore.
Auping, for Canton.

Colombo-maru, for Bombay.
Dagui, for Canton.
Chihai, for Canton.
Gothic, for Milke.
Petchaburi, for Singapore.
Dovre, for Kwongchowwan.
Fakul-mard, for Milke.
Tung Wah, for Shanghai.
Helene, for Swatow.
Lockau, for Singapore.

Jan. 22.
Haitan, for Swatow.
Dagui-maru, for Tamsui.
Lian, for Shanghai.
Takt-mara, for Kaitan.
Dortmund, for Singapore.
Auping, for Canton.

Colombo-maru, for Bombay.
Dagui, for Canton.
Chihai, for Canton.
Gothic, for Milke.
Petchaburi, for Singapore.
Dovre, for Kwongchowwan.
Fakul-mard, for Milke.
Tung Wah, for Shanghai.
Helene, for Swatow.
Lockau, for Singapore.

Jan. 23.
Haitan, for Swatow.
Dagui-maru, for Tamsui.
Lian, for Shanghai.
Takt-mara, for Kaitan.
Dortmund, for Singapore.
Auping, for Canton.

Colombo-maru, for Bombay.
Dagui, for Canton.
Chihai, for Canton.
Gothic, for Milke.
Petchaburi, for Singapore.
Dovre, for Kwongchowwan.
Fakul-mard, for Milke.
Tung Wah, for Shanghai.
Helene, for Swatow.
Lockau, for Singapore.

VESSELS IN PORT.

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Lapong, Br. s.s., 1.092, Leak, 5th Jan.—Manilla 5th Jan., Gen.—M. & Co.

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Arrival at Home—29th Dec.—Bayo Maru, Atolia Maru, Oania, Princess Alice, 2nd Jan.—Nerous, Abinoon, 5th Jan.—Stochon, Tauriane, 12th Jan.—Flintshire, Hinalaya, Hilaohi Maru, Roon, Frielela.

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